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APPLICATION OF: Graham SWIFT
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EXAMINER: Terressa Boykin
GROUP ART UNIT: 1711
DOCKET No.: 103-008-CIP

FOR: Methods of Synthesis of Polysuccinimide, Copolymers of Polysuccinimide and Derivatives thereof

RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

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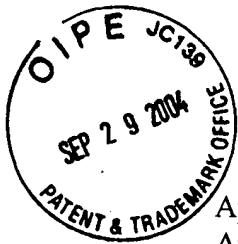
Attached hereto for filing is a Response to Notice of non-Compliant Amendment mailed 09/27/2004.

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Office communication of 09/27/2004, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.